

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE**  
**held on Monday 15 August 2016 at 7.00pm**  
**at Council Offices, Post Office Road**

**Present :** Cllr B Anderson, Cllr K Hathaway & Cllr Manship

**In Attendance:** Geraldine Scanlon (Administrative Assistant) & Tony Bubb

**817 Apologies**

**It was resolved to accept apologies from Cllr I Broughton**

**818 Declarations of Interest**

None received.

**819 The Warren**

**a) Pond**

Cllr Anderson advised that The Clerk was due to contact Anglian Water with regards to using the mains to fill the pond as the liner will not retain water and work correctly without it being completely saturated. Cllr Edwards had pumped 2000 litres into the pond however this was only 2% of the actual amount needed.

**b) Wildflower Seeding**

Cllr Anderson felt there was no need to put a hold on the purchasing and seeding of the suggested area. Cllr Hathaway raised concerns that the area will not be fully appreciated. It was suggested that only the pond would be planted up and no further areas. Cllr Bubb suggested to seed a smaller area. It was decided a smaller area would be seeded and Cllr Anderson would approach Kevin Pentney.

**c) The Bridge**

The Clerk is currently looking into obtaining details for a steel bridge to be erected. It was felt that due to current vandalism within the village a wooden bench would not be practical.**it was resolved The Clerk would ascertain if a bridge is wanted in the area.**

**d) Seating**

The type of benches available were discussed Cllr Hathaway suggested rustic benches made from planks of wood, i.e. railway sleepers, secured to large tree stump legs. Cllr Bubb Suggested asking parishioners if they would like to sponsor a seat, an advert is to be placed in the Village Voice to promote the sponsorship of the benches.

**e) Fruit Trees**

Cllr Anderson advised that he had had a suggestion from Cllr Hopkins to plant fruit trees on The Warren. It was discussed and although it would promote various wildlife i.e. bees it was felt that fruit trees were not a good option for the area as Cllr Bubb thought the soil was too poor. It was decided that no fruit trees would be planted.

Meeting Closed 7.20pm